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# News Release

## **HPD Recognizes Auxiliary Officers**

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The Harrisonburg Police Department recently recognized several auxiliary officers, who volunteer many hours in the community.

In the spring of 2002, the Harrisonburg Police Department's Auxiliary Unit was founded with the mission "to support HPD in both operational and administrative areas to maximize the availability of regular police officers."

In 2009, nine new members were trained and sworn in, doubling the size of the Auxiliary Unit. During 2009, auxiliary officers also voluntarily provided more than 6,500 hours of service, which translates to a significant savings in associated personnel costs for the City of Harrisonburg.

The success of this program is a direct result of the hard working persistence and the exceptional professional skills that each member possesses.

Auxiliary Lieutenant Rob Barnard, Auxiliary Sergeant Steve Frysinger, Auxiliary Sergeant Bruce Hamilton, Auxiliary Officer Scott Eichlin, Administrative Auxiliary Allen Litten, and Auxiliary Officer Bryan Murdock were recognized with the Distinguished Auxiliary Police Service Award for their exemplary performance and outstanding service to the Harrisonburg Police Department.